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EIGHT NEW COURSES OFFERED

F.T.C. WILL CONDUCT COURSES ON DEFENSE

Fitchburg Teachers is answering our President's cry for greater production in both the front and back lines by providing eight new courses for our next semester. Some of these courses may be taken byboth men and women students.

The courses are as follows:

Naval and Aeronautical Navigation—Mr. Weston and Mr. Hague

Blueprint Reading—Mr. Whitehead

Electricty For Communication—Mr. Sullivan

Military Maps—Mr. Clark

Medical Entomology—Mr. Randall

Meteorology—Miss Dean

Elementry Machine Opperations—Mr. Purinton

SERVICE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY STICK

The STICK, in an effort to make those men in the Service know they are still a part of F.T.C. has appointed a Service Committee. The committee consists of Dave Scanlon, chairman, Harriet Miller, Ann O,Brian and Joe Riley Each member of the committee will be given the names of several men in the service. A scroll, sim-

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JUNIOR AND FROSH GIRLS WIN GAMES

Many esthusiastic spectators braved the intense heat of the corridor raditator, Tuesday afternoon---all for the purpose of witnessing the preliminary class team games in basketball and cheering their respective teams on to victory!! Norma Hadd,

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PHILLIPS BEATS GUN; F.T.C. WINS IN LAST SECOND, 42-41

Finishing in a blaze of glory amid the frenzied cheering of a partizan crowd F.T.C.'s cagers annexed their first victory of the season, 42 to 41.

Outplayed for three quarters and part of the fourth, the quintet wasn't to be denied. For after Tobin, the RICE guard, sunk twe foul shots and a basket with thirty seconds to play, to make the score 41 to 40, Fitchburg worked the ball down into R.I.C.E. territory. ...

Here, with less than one second to play, Jack Phillips hooped a beautiful one hand shot from the foul line to the left for the necessary two points to win. The gun beat the ball to the basket but Jack had beaten the gun with the ball.

Phillips was outstanding throughout, a bearcat on defense and the shooting star on offense, caging 13 points. He literally carried the team to victory.

For Rhode Island, who really lost a heartbreaker, Tobin and Sullivan were outstanding. The former, who scored 17 points, proved an able play maker while the latter set up many points with his handling and passing the ball perfectly.

The victory was marred by accidents to Fitchburg players. In the fourth quarter, Bill Konsavage recieved another ankle injury and was forced out of the game as was John Chase when he also injured his ankle.

In the preliminary game, the Junior Grammar Masters outplayed and outscored the Jay-Bees, 31 to 28 in a sloppy game with "Ditto" Feely and Jack Killelea outstanding for the Jun-

RULES FOR SNOW SCULPTURING

1. Work may begin Friday A.M. January 30th.
2. Judging and awarding of prizes will be on Sunday, Feb. 1st, at 3:00P.M.
3. There will be no limit to the size of the snow sculptures.
4. All sculptures must be of a nature pertaining to winter.
5. There will be no use of color of any kind on the sculptures, just snow and water.

(more to follow)

QUINTET MEETS HYANNIS TOMORROW

Tomorrow night, in the B.F. Brown Gym, the Fitchburg five will meet Hyannis T.C., in what should be a fast game.

Hyannis, coached by Louis Kulcinski, former coach at F.T.C. will come here with a strong team and will try to duplicate last years win here

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Editorial . .

"ALL'S QUIET ON OUR FRONT"

We students of F.T.C. are aimlessly going about our work. We have little of the sparkling interest and spirit which has been so evident in past times. We miss the smiles and gleeful greetings. We find the haughty, enlightening discussions of school activities a thing of the past. Our basketball team only exists as far as both players and students are concerned. We are forgetting that we must carry on---and with a sincere smile.

We today are the foundation of a new horizon. It is we who are going to clear away the smoldering ruins and build anew. We are going to educate the world after the crisis. We are going to heal bleeding hearts, destroy intolerance, and establish: "Peace on earth good will toward men."

We must correct our present attitude and prepare ourselves to uphold our responsibilities when we are called upon to do so. We must sincerely attack our courses of study with a more determined aim of accomplishment. We must build within ourselves a more confidence which will make us smile through the most doubtful of circumstances. With knowledge in our minds and a confident and happy heart, we are surer to enlighten the lost souls of the world.

Let's support and enjoy our extra curricular activities as we have never done before. Let's all make it impossible for our instructors to give us anything other than superior grades in our work next semester. Let's, fellow students of F.T.C., show the world the TRUE AMERICAN.

What Have You!!

ARE YOU A "PORKER"

We all know what the term "porker" means; on the average, we hear this expresion about ten times a day—often in friendly jesting, more often in disgusting ridicule an dfar too often in downright childish rudeness! We dub a fellow as a "porker" merely because he has done the work that we were too lazy to do. We call him a "porker" because he knows how to balance his time better than we do; if we think he has more brain matter than we have we are crazy. Yet, all the time we are merely covering up our own shortcomings and our own incapacities. And, what does it get us?

Well, it certainly doesn't improve our grades any, and don't think for one minute that your name-calling activities will hurt the porker's grades because it will not; it might even be an inspiration to him to study harder! So, since our constant name calling maneuvers do not seem to be accomplishing very much in the way of permanent values—either from a social or a scholastic viewpoint—why, oh why do we persist in going around hurting other people's feelings by uttering that detestable phrase. "You're a porker!"

Now, I'm not speaking in defense of those few individuals whose sole purpose in studying is to make the rest of the class look like imbeciles, nd whose objective is to beat the other fellow by hook or by crook. We all know this type of person at sight: he is the fellow who is constantly prying over your sholder (when you are trying to study) doing all in his power to find out just what you are doing, how you are doing it and whom you are doing it for. This fellow has no place in my heart or in this discussion. I am speaking in behalf of those students who really deserve to be called students, to whom learning is a real thrill, to whom devotion to studies is a matter of conscience! For, none of us can fully realize what sacrifices our companions might be making to attend college. None of us can peer into the minds and lives of our fellow classmates and thereby ascertain the pending responsibilities and duties which might be pressing upon them.

But, iif we would open our eyes and look beyond our noses, we would soon realize that many of our so-called "porker" friends are getting a whole lot more out of college than we are.

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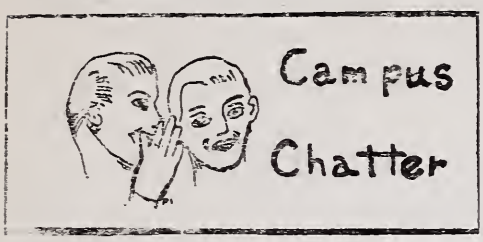

WONDERMENT

A Frosh wonders how many questions he can flunk and still pass the test.

A Soph wonders how many tests he can flunk and still pass the course.

A Junior wonders how many courses he can flunk and still pass the year.

A Senior wonders why the devil he wondered.

HABIT-FORMING

Jack Magane and Art Lane have been playing cards with "Houdini" Buxton for "cokes" and both have won so often that we understand that they are becoming slightly "coke"-eyed.

ADD QUOTABLE QUOTES

Dick Kelliher: "Things must be coming to a horrible pass when we have to have a "vice" president."

RAGE OF THE SPA SOCIETY

A whoopee pie smothered in ice-cream which in turn is smothered in chocolate syrup which is smothered with nuts which in turn smothers the nuts that eat the gastronomical nightmare.

FOR THOSE WHO CRITICIZE

In the obituary notices of Tom Collins' home-town newspaper the family of a man who died from a heart attack was referred to as "survivors." Tom tells us that the people of Orleans are paying five cents for the paper and enjoying it.

DANDRUFF REMOVER

Kalil's roomie tried some of George's dandruff remover and found out that it does a clean job.

CHEMISTRY NOTES

The following formula was found in a F.T.C. student's notebook.

Good weather plus two skiis plus two skates plus one girl plus a full moon equals a good time at the Winter Carnival.

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WHAT HAVE YOU

Not merely because they are studious but because they lead a much more active and interesting life than many of us do. They read comprehensively; they listen intelligently; they know what is going on in the world about them. And in addition to this they arethe most active and enthusiastic supporters of our college extracurricular program! Can we say the same for ourselves? If not, why not? Perhaps if we were more active ourselves we would find less time to indulge in the art of torturing our neighbor by our verbal attacks.

Therefore in this time of world peril, of constant strife between men and nations, it is inconsistent that we, the youth and the future citizens of America should stoop to anything so mean and so small as to call another American an undesirable name!

Let us forget this childish name calling business. Let us work up to capacity ourselves so that what the other fellow is doing will not bother us or trouble our haunting conscience Let us be worthy of the heritage that is ours as Americans, true to God, true to each other and true to our country!

Note: If you have a similar or a contrary viewpoint on this or any other subject of interest to the student body, the "What Have You" column of the STICK welcomes your opinion.

F.T.C. SCRIBE PICKS BEST MOVIES OF '42

In a time when Academy Awards are floating about as mosquitoes in the summer air, yon scribe feels that certain cinemas of last years crop should be dedicated to certain members of the F.T.C. family.

Swamp Water....Wally Cunningham

I Wake Up Screaming....The guy who gets dumped out of bed at 12:30

Escape....The Funny books at the Spa

Dawn Patrol....Waldo Healy and General Parker

Manpower ....Rocky Sullivan

Ceiling Zero ..Comment entirely unnessary

Our Wife....Misto and Harry Erb

You're in the Army Now.... Please, not me!!!!

Nothing But the Truth(?)....Charley DeKeyser

Birth of The Blues....Jan. 19-23

Boy (s) from Syracuse....Bob Savitt

Married Bachelor....J.J. Chase

Buck Private....Kay Huot

Dance Hall....The Gym on Tuesday Night

Ski Patrol....Gurney, Hirtle, and Co.

AIR RAID UNITS MAYBE HAD FOR F.T.C .

The Admistration is waiting for approval from Boston for an Electrical Signal Unit for all six buildings on campus as an air raid warning. The signal will be part of the responsibility of the Civil Service Employees during their two hour duty. Students will be given rules on air raid drills in the near future.

Sportscope

The new year is with us and it's time to begin to resolve our ways. Up 'til Wednesday the basketball had a clean record the wrong way. Now's the time for the quintet to make a resolution. Let's ketp 'em flying---in the hoop and win the rest.

The Winter Carnival Program Committee has been working out an interesting program in which sports will be a big factor. As the plans are not for publication all we can say is that you'll get plenty of basketball, skiing, and skating and a real good time all for the effort you put into it. So get ready to get into the spirit.

The intramural basketball season just doesn'r seem to get going The response has been very feeble so that Coach Elliott must be getting disgruntled. So, men, what about organizing your class team and getting down to the games as scheduled, on time. It's for you so take advantage of it, won't you?

Oh, are those ski enthusiasts happy! You can tell each and every one of them by the big grin they're wearing or possibly by those "moosie" sweaters.

Right now the Sophomore class is begining to look towards Mecca for new powder snow over the thirtieth, thirty-first, and first. Here's hoping they get it.

WRITE TO THEM

Jim Brennan, E Company, 15 Signal Service Regiment, Fort Monmouth, Red Bank N.J.

Thomas Passios, 47th Infantry, Fort Bragg, N.C.

Harry Butterfield, Cadet Regiment. Bldg. 722 Rm. 234, Jacksonville, Florida.

George Parker, Bldg. 700, Rm. 115, Jacksonville, Florida

ROBERTS WITH YANKS IN TEXAS

The Yanks have arrived in Texas---a dozen of them in the latest shipment. Twelve native New Englanders, born and reared on the soil where the United States fought its initial war for liberty, are enrolled in Aviation Cadet Class 42-B at the Air Corps Advanced Flying School Victoria, Texas.

Massacrusetts' trio is composed of William K. Roberts of Fitchburg Teachers College, Herbert J. Saabye, Jr. of Springfield, and John A. Urban of Pittsfield.

SERVICE COMMITTEE

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iliar to that sent to Glenn Miller, will be forwarded to our sons in the service. Space will be offered to those who wish to make a comment or send some greeting.

Starting with the current issue, the STICK will publish the names of former F.T.C. men who are now in government service. This will give the students an opportunity to correspond with them.

In order to do this it will be necessary to make a complete list of fellows who are serving in some government branch. Any information anyone has concerning the location of these men will be greatly appreciated. Please give such information to any member of the Service Committee.

JUNIORS and SOPHS WIN

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the W.A.A. head of basketball for this current season, should be justly proud of the showing made by her girls on this occasion.

The first game was a hard fought, rip roaring contest between our friends, the Sophomore and their traditional rivals (in many fields!) the illusterious Juniors. Thou the Sophmores were right in there trying and fighting for all they were worth, they were totally unable to match the basket shooting ability of their opponents, who have two notorious sharp shooters in Chickie Chadwick and Tena Seronartis. The Sophomores bowed to the Juniors 27 to 14.

But when the lowly Freshman took the floor to battle with the lofty Seniors, the underclassmen began to take their place in the sun. For it was then that the Freshmmen class revealed that they were capable of playing a good fast game of basketball. In fact they were so good and so fast that when the final whistle was blown, the score stood 29 to 25 in favor of the Freshmen!

Orange and White

Class games in basketball have prepared the way for the color games. Looking over the practice schedule, it is quits evident that the Freshmen are out to take the place on the color teams or at least give the upperclassmen a run for their effort. More power to you, freshmen!

Co-recreation has been struggling along by the effort of a few people who come out from week to week. These people are not complaining for they enjoy having continued use of the sports equpiment. But why let these same people take over all the time? You are welcome to come out for co-receation so put your name on the sign-up sheet.

Sophomores are leading the list in bowling. More Sophomores are bowling this season than any other class. With the pin boys daring the girls to knock the pins down and rivalry among groups of girls makes bowling a lively and amusing pastime.